GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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EXPANSION OF PUBLIC SECTOR STEEL PLANTS
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether the demand of steel is likely to be met by the expansion of Bokaro and Vizag Steel Plants in the public sector;

(b) if so, whether the Government is planning to expand other public sector steel plants also; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STEEL(SHRI JITIN PRASADA)

(a) Yes,Sir.The expansion of Bokaro and Vizag Steel Plants is expected to contribute significantly to meeting the national demand of steel.

(b)&(c): Both the Steel Authority of India Limited (SAIL) and the Rashtriya Ispat Nigam Limited (RINL) have undertaken modernization and expansion of their steel plants to increase their production of steel.The modernization and expansion plan of SAIL at all of its five integrated steel plants and Salem Steel Plant envisages an increase in the production from the current level of around 15 million tonnes of hot metal per annum to 26.2 million tonnes per annum.Similarly the expansion of RINL envisages an increase in production of liquid steel from the current level of around 3.0 million tonnes per annum to 6.3 million tonnes per annum.